

## **NIGHTTIME SEAT BELT ENFORCEMENT PROTOCOL**

## Site Selection Guidelines

**Site Selection:** Site location is vital to the success of nighttime enforcement and should include adequate lighting and high traffic flow. Controlled intersections and freeway entrance/exit ramps may be used for enforcement locations.

**Patrol Method:** Nighttime enforcement can be conducted using mobile patrols at the approved locations or stationary patrols utilizing a spotter and up to 3 chase cars. We understand that nighttime seat belt enforcement may be challenging for officers in a secondary law state. Seat belt citations and number of contacts may vary during these shifts. Please provide any feedback and suggestions on what worked well and what did not. We will take your feedback into consideration for next year's enforcement campaign.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

**DUI Arrests:** If possible, have another officer not working a seat belt overtime shift or another agency process the DUI. Include all impaired driving arrests – alcohol AND drugs - even if those arrests are handed off to another agency for processing.

**Major arrests or incidents:** It is helpful to us if you would add some narrative that provides details of major incidents handled during the shift. This can be provided on an additional sheet of paper, by email, or on the stat cover form.

**Number of citations per overtime shift:** There will not be a "minimum" number of citations required during nighttime seat belt enforcement. However, contacts will be looked at closely and taken into consideration for future overtime funding.

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